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English language computer translation of Japanese Patent Abstract No. 08-306328 dated November 22, 1996.

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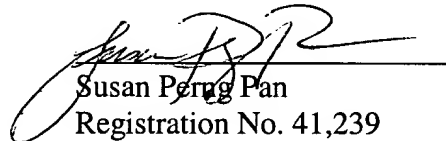
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